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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yoshiaki YOKOYAMA, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/676,367

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FILED:

September 29, 2000

EXAMINER: Kenneth RINEHART

FOR:

METHOD FOR PRODUCING SOIL, SOIL-PROCESSING UNIT, METHOD FOR PROCESSING AND

UNIT FOR PROCESSING

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

It is hereby requested that a three month extension of time be granted to October 21, 2003 for

filing a response to the Official Action dated: April 21, 2003

responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:

filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due

has been timely filed.

responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:

filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due

has been filed.

filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of \$475.00 is enclosed herewith by check and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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